## MI Child Support Formula - CHILD SUPPORT CHANGES

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Lowering the number overnights for the non-custodial parents to lessen the child support that they pay, in my opinion will only cause more grief and stress for the custodial parents. I believe it will make parents that really don't care to have their children more, take them more, just to pay less.

How is the custodial parent to maintain a home? I can not survive on 378.00 dollars less per month. I work two jobs about 50 hours a week and can not possibly get a third job and be gone from the home more than I already am. So which bills should I not pay, the electric, the phone, their tuition, the house payment? I live from paycheck to paycheck.

I believe that each case should be look at individually, and that yes, it would help the poor, but in my case would help the upper class (Children's father) who doesn't already go above and beyond for his children, make out like a bandit, while I would have to pull my children from their private school that they have attended all their life.

Through the fathers insistence at the early developmental age we enrolled our children in Catholic Schools. Since the divorce 7 years ago, for consistency I have kept the children in their school, with no additional help from their father other than child support. It is a hardship for me as the mother to pay this and to pull them from the environment they are accustomed to would not benefit them. If you take 378.00 per month away from my support, I would have to sent them to a public school, which at this point in their life ages 13 and 14 would not be a good thing.

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